

PFOA Contamination Southern New Hampshire Weekly Update

July 15, 2016

NHDES is issuing these weekly email updates during our ongoing investigation into perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) and other PFCs in southern New Hampshire drinking water. These updates will also be posted on our website at http://des.nh.gov/organization/commissioner/pfoa.htm

Press Releases

The NH Department of Health and Human Services issued several press releases this week related to blood testing. Here are some links:

- 1. NH DHHS and NHDES to Hold July 19th Public Meeting to Discuss PFC Blood Testing and Long-Term Water Solutions (http://www.dhhs.nh.gov/media/pr/2016/pfc-public-meeting.htm)
- 2. NH DHHS PFC Blood Testing Program Set to Begin for Residents Impacted by PFC Drinking Water Contamination (http://www.dhhs.nh.gov/media/pr/2016/pfc-blood-testing-07132016.htm)

Private Well Sampling

NHDES is continuing to investigate the water test results from the two laboratories. NHDES will report the findings of this work as soon as it is completed.

	SAINT- GOBAIN AREA	TCI AMHERST	FORMER MERRIMACK LANDFILL	FORMER LL&S LANDFILL	TCI MANCHESTER
WELLS SAMPLED	588	188	69	34	2
RESULTS RECEIVED	569	164	64	21	2
≥70	171	8	1	0	0
SCHEDULED	9	6	1	3	0

On May 31, 2016, NHDES established an Ambient Groundwater Quality Standard of 70 parts per trillion (ppt) for PFOA, 70 ppt for PFOS and 70 ppt for PFOA and PFOS combined. To view the current maps for all of these locations, please visit: http://des.nh.gov/organization/commissioner/pfoa.htm and look under the subheading: Sampling Maps and Data.

New Items Added This week:

1. Souhegan Regional Landfill Monitoring Well Results:

NHDES with assistance from the U.S. EPA collected monitoring well samples from the Souhegan Regional Landfill on June 14 and 15. All of the results returned below the 70 ppt standard. NHDES also collected samples from private water wells in the area and expect to report on the results soon.

Public Water System Test Results

Updated test results are available on http://des.nh.gov/organization/commissioner/pfoa.htm by looking under the subheading: Public Water System Test Results.

Bottled Water Delivery/Availability

If you are eligible and have not received delivery of bottled water or have questions about receiving bottled water, please contact Andy Fulton, NHDES at (603) 271-7376 (for Bottled Water Inquiries Only). An updated listing is available on our webpage: http://des.nh.gov/organization/commissioner/documents/pfoa-bottledwaterareas-20160715.pdf

Upcoming Public Meetings

Public Meeting – NH DHHS and NHDES will hold a public meeting to discuss PFC blood testing and to provide a basic update on the status of the investigation on Tuesday, July 19, 7:00 pm on July 19 in the Campbell High School Auditorium, 1 Highlander Court, Litchfield, NH, 03052

Public Hearings on the Rulemaking:

- Wednesday, August 3, 2016 at 6:00 PM at Campbell High School Auditorium;
 1 Highlander Court, Litchfield, NH;
- Wednesday, August 10, 2016 at 6:00 PM at Conference Room A; NHDES Portsmouth Regional Office; Pease International Tradeport; 222 International Drive, Suite 175; Portsmouth, NH;

Deadline for filing written comments: Friday, August 19, 2016 (4:00 PM) or contact: John Regan (<u>John.Regan@des.nh.gov</u>), Hazardous Waste Remediation Bureau Administrator

Public Inquiries

If you have questions regarding the NHDES investigation into PFOA found in Southern NH drinking water, please call the Public Inquiry Line at (603) 271-9461 or visit http://des.nh.gov/organization/commissioner/pfoa.htm

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